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In re Application of:	:
KAKINUMA et al.	:
Serial No.: 10/792,072	: Group Art Unit: TBD
Filed: March 3, 2004	: Examiner: TBD
Title: PRE-APPLIED OUTER LAYER	:
MATERIAL FOR AUTOMOTIVE INTERIOR	:
TRIM AND METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF	:
AUTOMOTIVE INTERIOR TRIM	x

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office the following documents of which Applicant has been made aware. The documents are listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. Copies of the documents are enclosed.

Applicant submits that this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to a first action on the merits.

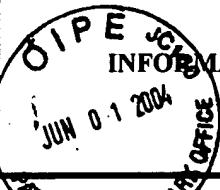
It is requested that the references be considered by the Examiner and be made of record as part of the available prior art under 37 C.F.R. § 1.104.

Respectfully submitted,



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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
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	JP-A-2000-226561	08/19/1999	Japan				
	JP-A-2000-198940	01/06/1999	Japan				
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